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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown, Chief
Section of Administration
Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20024

Re: Docket No. AB-384 (Sub-No. 1X), *Delta Southern Railroad, Inc. -- Abandonment
Exemption -- Portion of the Lake Providence Line*

Dear Ms. Brown:

Replies are due on January 12, 2011 to a Petition to Strike Notice of Consummation and to Reopen and Reconsider (Petition) filed by Lake Providence Port Commission (the Port) on December 23, 2010.

In behalf of Delta Southern Railroad, Inc. (DSR), this is to respectfully request an extension of nine days, until Friday, January 21, 2011, to file a Reply to that Petition.

The requested extension is justified by the difficulty in preparation by the current due date as a result of the intervening Christmas and New Year Holidays.

Counsel for the Port has authorized me to state that the Port does not object to the requested extension.

Please advise regarding disposition of this request.

Very truly yours,

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